BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

H.B. 3181 By: Munoz (Lucio) Jurisprudence 6-9-95 Enrolled

BACKGROUND

Currently, county court judges are prohibited from engaging in the private practice of law.

PURPOSE

As enrolled, H.B. 3181 authorizes a county court judge to engage in the private practice of law until January 1, 2005.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 25.1102(I), Government Code, to authorize, rather than prohibit, a county court judge to engage in the private practice of law, except that the county court judge may not engage in the private practice of law in a state, county, or municipal court.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 25.1102, Government Code, by adding Subsection (m), to provide that Subsection (l) and this subsection expire January 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 25.1102, Government Code, by adding Subsection (n), effective January 1, 2005, to prohibit a county court judge from engaging in the private practice of law.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.

Effective date: 90 days after adjournment.